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SUBJ: INFORMAL MEETING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON
SPECIAL MEASURES

1. SUMMARY: GA PRESIDENT BENITES CALLED INFORMAL MEETING OF 35 DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF AD HOC COMMITTEE AM JUNE 6. WITH EXCEPTION OF ONE EE, MEMBERSHIP TO BE FORMALLY ANNOUNCED, AND FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, JUNE 10. SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR WEEK OF JUNE 17. AGREEMENT ON BUREAU EXPECTED BEFORE MONDAY, WITH NORWAY POSSIBLE CHAIRMAN. END SUMMARY.

2. BENITES SAID THAT INFORMAL MEETING HAD BEEN CALLED TO DISCUSS ORGANIZATION OF AD HOC COMMITTEE. HE POINTED OUT THAT COMMITTEE IS UNDER MANDATE TO REPORT 57TH ECOSOC ON STRUCTURE OF SPECIAL FUND AND ASSESSMENT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NEEDS (PARA 6, CHAPTER 10 PROGRAM OF ACTION). HE

AGREED TO APPOINT OFFICIALLY 35 MEMBERS OF AD HOC COMMITTEE TODAY AND TO ANNOUNCE FINAL APPOINTEE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. MEMBERSHIP, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, IS AS FOLLOWS:

A) WEO'S: AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, FRG, JAPAN, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, TURKEY, UK, US:

B) ASIANS: INDIA, IRAN, KUWAIT, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, PHILIPPINES, SRI LANKA, SYRIA:

C) AFRICANS: ALGERIA, CHAD, MADAGASCAR, NIGERIA, SOMALIA, SUDAN, SWAZILAND, UPPER VOLTA:

D) LA'S: ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, COSTA RICA, GUYANA, PARAGUAY, URUGUAY, VENEZUELA:

E) EE'S: USSR, YUGOSLAVIA, AND ONE OTHER TO BE APPOINTED.

NINE COUNTRIES WERE REPRESENTED AT AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL (EIGHT OF NINE PERM REPS). NIGERIA WAS NOT PRESENT. SOVIETS AGREED THAT COMMITTEE COULD BEGIN FORMAL MEETINGS PENDING AGREEMENT ON THIRD EE SLOT. BOTH SOVIET REP AND BENITES SAID THAT NEITHER THE GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF SEATS NOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF FORMAL MEETINGS WITHOUT FULL MEMBERSHIP ARE TO BE TAKEN AS PRECEDENTS.

4. THE MEETING INFORMALLY AGREED THAT THE BUREAU SHOULD CONSIST OF CHAIRMAN, THREE VICE-CHAIRMEN AND RAPPORTEUR. INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS HAVE ALREADY LED TO ACCEPTANCE OF NORWEGIAN CANDIDACY FOR CHAIRMANSHIP. CONSULTATION ON OTHER POSTS CONTINUING IN ORDER TO HAVE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON BUREAU BEFORE MONDAY MEETING.

5. AD HOC COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ITS FIRST FORMAL MEETING JUNE 10 AM. GENERAL OPINION IS THAT JUNE 10 MEETING WILL BE CONFINED TO ORGANIZATION AND TIMETABLE WITH SUBSTANTIVE WORK TO COMMENCE JUNE 17. SECRETARIAT HAS ALSO BEEN ASKED TO GIVE HIGHEST PRIORITY TO MAKE FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR WEEK OF JUNE 24. WHILE IT IS UNCERTAIN THAT COMMITTEE COULD ACCOMPLISH ITS TASK DURING TWO WEEKS OF MEETINGS, ALL REPS SPEAKING ON ISSUE STRESSED URGENCY OF COMMITTEE WORK. POSSIBILITY OF MEETING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN JULY OR AUGUST WAS NOT DIRECTLY DISCUSSED.

6. BEFORE MEETING AMB HOVEYDA STATED THAT IRAN WILL CONTRIBUTE \$150 MILLION TO SPECIAL FUND. THIS CONTRIBUTION IS NOT CONDITIONAL ON ACTION BY OTHER DONORS.

7. COMMENT: EE INABILITY TO PRODUCE THIRD CANDIDATE HAS RAISED SPECULATION THAT SOVIETS SEEKING TO ESTABLISH

PRECEDENT FOR START OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES WITHOUT FULL
MEMBERSHIP, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTY IN
CONSTITUTING SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF
FUNDS RELEASED AS A RESULT OF THE REDUCTION OF MILITARY
BUDGETS (ROB). THIS COMMITTEE HAS STILL NOT TAKEN
SHAPE SIX MONTHS AFTER ITS ESTABLISHMENT BECAUSE OF
WEO UNWILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE (USUN 586). ROMANIAN
REP TOLD MISOFF THAT SOVIETS COULD SIMPLY NAME OTHER
COUNTRY TO FILL EE SLOT, BUT THAT NO OTHER MEMBERS OF
GROUP WERE ACTIVELY CAMPAIGNING FOR MEMBERSHIP ON AD
HOC COMMITTEE. END COMMENT.
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